

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Jim Costa, D-Fresno, will speak on the House Floor this afternoon between 12 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. P.S.T.

Costa will introduce House Resolution 119 expressing Congress' support of the goals and ideals of National Crime Victims' Rights Week and the efforts to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of crime victims and survivors in the United States.

As Co-Chair of the recently founded Congressional Victims' Rights Caucus, Costa urges Congress to remember *"Every Victim. Every Time,"* the theme for this year's national observance of Victims Rights Week as the nation copes with recent crimes that have shaken the entire country including the shootings at Virginia Tech University.

This year, National Victims Rights Week will be observed from April 22 through April 28 to commemorate the rights, needs and services of crime victims an crime survivors.

Costa's speech can be recorded off the C-SPAN coverage of the House of Representatives.